## Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Ken Weerheim was born September 18, 1925, to Jacob and Velma Weerheim on a farm southwest of Corsica, South Dakota, the oldest of five boys; and,

Whereas, Ken enlisted in the U.S. Navy in September 1943, served in the South Pacific on the USS destroyers, Abner Read and Fred T. Berry, and received the Purple Heart, along with numerous other medals, prior to his May 1946 honorable discharge; and,

Whereas, Ken and his wife, Norma, were married on November 26, 1947, and gave life and love to four children, Rick, Terry, Collette, and Vickie, who further blessed their lives with seven grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Ken spent the majority of his working career in the telephone or construction business, and his retirement years have found him spending time hunting, fishing, and playing cards with his family; and,

Whereas, Ken will observe his 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 18, 2010, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State